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TITLE OF INVENTION: LED ILLUMINATED PENDANT

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1. This communication is responsive to <u>03 October 2005</u> .					
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>2,3,6,8-11,13,14,17 and 18</u> .					
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

- 2. The application has been amended as follows: In Claims 8, 9, and 11, on line 1 the number "0" has been deleted and the number –6—has been inserted in its place.
- 3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Clement Cheng on November 9, 2005.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

- 4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
- 5. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 2 having the barrel housing connect by means of a shallow cylindrical protrusion receiving a shallow cylindrical depression on the second strand connector.
- 6. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 3 having multiple modes in which the printed circuit board illuminates the LEDs within the illuminated pendant.
- 7. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 6 having a plastic cylinder

with open top and bottom in which the battery cage fits inside. A metal clip securing the bottom of the plastic cylinder and a pair of ends extended through the inside of the plastic cylinder and then extending over the top of the plastic cylinder.

- 8. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 13 having the barrel housing connect by means of a shallow cylindrical protrusion receiving a shallow cylindrical depression on the second strand connector.
- 9. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 14 having multiple modes in which the printed circuit board illuminates the LEDs within the illuminated pendant.
- 10. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 17 having a plastic cylinder with open top and bottom in which the battery cage fits inside. A metal clip securing the bottom of the plastic cylinder and a pair of ends extended through the inside of the plastic cylinder and then extending over the top of the plastic cylinder.
- 11. The prior art when taken separately or combined fails to teach and/or show an LED illuminated pendant as set forth in Claim 18 having a barrel housing containing the batteries to power the illuminated pendant. The barrel housing has a lid secured to the housing by a combination of a pair of opposing square steps and a pair of respective L shaped slots. There is also a spring

attached to the interior of the lid that fits between the battery and lid when the barrel housing is closed.

12. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Meghan K. Dunwiddie whose telephone number is (571) 272-8543. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8 am-4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sandra O'Shea can be reached on (571)272-2378. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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